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JGSY	Jawahar Gram Samridhi Yojana
IAY	Indira Awaas Yojana
SGSY	Swaranajayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana
EAS	Employment Assurance Scheme
NSAP	National Social Assistance Programme
NFBS	National Family Benefit Scheme
NMBS	National Maternity Benefit Scheme
NOAPS	National Old Age Pension Scheme

Sale of Badarpur Thermal Power Station to Private Sector

*92. DR. GOPALRAO VITHALRAO PATIL:
SHRI VEDPRAKASH P. GOYAL:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is likely to sell Badarpur Thermal Power Station, a profit making generating station of NTPC, to private sector producer (Tata Electric);

(b) what are the details of the proposal; and

(c) the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI PR. KUMARAMANGALAM):

(a) to (c) Tata Electric Company made a presentation to Ministry of Power on the Badarpur Thermal Power Station in January, 2000. The presentation by Tata Electric Company was on a model in which disinvestment by the Government in the power station was suggested to bring operational efficiency and fiscal discipline. Government has not taken any decision to sell the Badarpur Thermal Power Station so far.

Vacancies in NEHHDC

*93. DR. ARUN KUMAR SARMA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of vacancies in the North Eastern Regional Directorate of Handloom and Handicrafts, cadre-wise and the action taken to man those offices for effective implementation of various schemes;

(b) the total cadre-wise strength of NEHHDC, annual turnover, establishment expenditure, amount allocated and utilised for development activities in various sectors during the last five years;

(c) the achievements and contributions made by the Corporation and the present day necessity of running such a Corporation, without specific assignments; and

(d) how Government propose to utilise this manpower?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI KASHIRAM RANA): (a) There is no Directorate by the name of North Eastern Regional Directorate of Handloom and Handicrafts. However for implementation of various schemes in handloom and handicrafts sector, the Government has field offices located at different places in North-Eastern Region.

(b) The cadre-wise strength of North Eastern Handicrafts and Handloom Development Corporation Ltd. (NEHHDC), Guwahati is as per attached Statement (*See below*) The details of annual turnover, establishment expenditure, amount allocated and utilised for development activities by the NEHHDC during the last five years are as under:—

(Rs. in lakhs)

Year	Annual turnover	Establishment Expenditure	Amount allocated	Utilized for Development activities
1994-95	489.25	74.77	11.14	11.14
1995-96	526.00	109.31	50.00	51.20
1996-97	589.87	115.23	50.00	44.05
1997-98	325.54	134.99	60.00	74.23
1998-99	300.70	142.96	67.00	53.17

(c) The NEHHDC undertakes promotion and development of handicrafts and handlooms of North-Eastern Region. Since inception, the Corporation organised 638 exhibitions, 9 North East Crafts Fairs and 5 Crafts Bazaars. The Corporation also participated in 67 Handicrafts and Handlooms Expos and 10 Indian International Trade Fairs. The Corporation trained 500 craftsmen in Cane, Bamboo, Brass, Bell — Metal and Carpet.

The Corporation which plays a dominant role in undertaking various promotional and developmental activities for handicrafts and handloom sector for the entire North — Eastern Region of the country and provides benefits to a large section of artisans/weavers in the region, makes it imperative for the Government to run it further.

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(d) Does not arise in view of (c) above.

Statement

Sl.No	Name of the Post	Sanctioned Strength
1.	Managing Director Dy.	1
2.	General Manager	2
3.	Company Secretary	1
4.	Senior Manager Junior	3
5.	Manager Chief	2
6.	Accounts Officer	1
7.	Accounts Officer	1
8.	Manager (Emporium)	5
9.	Deputy Manager Dy.	6
10.	Dying Manager Area	2
11.	Manager Asstt.	3
12.	Accounts Officer	4
13.	Accountant	2
14.	Storekeeper	2 1
15.	Private Secretary to MD	2
16.	Assistant Manager	2
17.	Superintendent	10
18.	Asstt. Marketing Officer	
19.	Asstt. Manager (Emporium)	
20.	Assistant	
21.	Assistant Accountant	1
22.	Sales-in-Charge	5
23.	Supervisor Master	2
24.	Craftsman	1
25.	Steno Grade-II	4
26.	Upper Division Clerk	7
27.	Sr. Sales Assistant	4
28.	Steno Grade-III	1
29.	Sales Assistant	22
30.	Accounts Assistant	1
31.	Lower Division Clerk	17
32.	Technical Assistant	2
33.	Cashier	1
34.	Store Assistant	1
35.	Jr. Store Assistant	1
36.	Asstt. Storekeeper	1
37.	Fitter	1
38.	Boiler Operator	1
39.	Electrician Grade-II	1
40.	Time Keeper	1 1
41.	Laboratory Assistant	5
42.	Driver	
43.	Class-IV staff including Peon/Helpers/Chowkidars etc.	82